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SUBJ: ALLEGATIONS OF BRIBERY IN F-104 REPLACEMENT COMPETITION

1. DEFENSE COMMITTEE OF DUTCH PARLIAMENT, SPURRED BY ARTICLE WHICH APPARENTLY APPEARED IN "LE MONDE", MET SEPTEMBER 12 TO DISCUSS ALLEGATIONS THAT SECOND CHAMBER MEMBERS HAD BEEN OFFERED BRIBES TO INFLUENCE THEIR ATTITUDES ON SELECTION OF REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT. CHARGE THAT AIRCRAFT COMPANIES HAD ENGAGED IN BRIBERY ALSO MADE IN DUTCH COMMUNIST DAILY, "DE WAARHEID".

2. ACTING CHAIRMAN OF DEFENSE COMMITTEE, DE GAAY FORTMAN, SAID AFTER MEETING THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD NOT COMMENT ON FOREIGN CHARGES AGAINST FOREIGN COMPANIES. HOWEVER,
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DE GAAY FORTMAN AND SOME OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

APPARENTLY FAVOR AN INVESTIGATION BY JUSTICE MINISTRY.
OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTED THAT THE ALLEGATIONS
WERE POSSIBLY BASED ON SOME TRUTH.

3. PIET DANKERT, CHAIRMAN OF SECOND CHAMBER'S FOREIGN
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, IS REPORTED TO HAVE ADMITTED THAT
DURING HIS VISIT TO CERTAIN AIRCRAFT COMPANIES ATTRACTIVE
COVERT PROPOSALS HAD BEEN MADE IF HE WOULD CHOOSE RIGHT
AIRCRAFT. DANKERT DID NOT SAY WHICH COMPANIES WERE
INVOLVED, BUT PRESS REPORTS THAT "IT WELL KNOWN THAT
DANKERT HAS VISITED MIRAGE AND SAAB-VIGGEN WORKS".
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